

# SUMMER 2016

## PHILOSOPHY COURSES

### 5 week sessions

Session 1: 5/31/16-7/6/16

Session 2: 7/11/16-8/11/16

Philosophy is offering 4 courses for 5 week sessions 1 & 2. We are also offering Phi 105 as an online course for the first time.

**Phi 105-599** - *Critical Thinking* - Are you ever confused as to why a professor tells you that some sentences are too vague or why a professor writes that little question mark next to some of your claims on essays? Are you studying for the LSAT or GRE? Critical thinking can help you improve your writing, analytical thinking, and argumentation skills. In this fully online 5-week course, we will closely examine what constitutes good evidence, what makes an argument good, and analyze fallacious arguments.

*Instructor: Professor Genevieve Laforge - 5 week, 2nd session - Fully Online*

**\*Phi 210-01** - *Ethical Theory* - The course examines many of the most influential conceptions of ethical value, the relations between being ethical goodness and happiness, different accounts of ethical judgment, and fundamental questions concerning motivation, such as, 'Why would a person choose to act in an ethically right manner?' Featured readings: Aristotle, Kant, Mill, and other great figures in ethics.

*Instructor: Professor Jonathan Jacobs - 5 week, 1st session*

**Phi 231-501** - *Introduction to Philosophy* - This course introduces some of the big philosophical questions surrounding individual and society: What can I know for certain? Who am I? Is morality relative to culture? Does God exist? What is justice? Why be good? By way of answering these questions, students examine arguments about knowledge and belief, the nature of reality, freedom, ethics, aesthetics, personal identity and social justice.

*Instructor: Professor Christopher Trogan - 5 week, 1st session*

**\*\*Phi 310-01** - *Ethics & Law* - This course focuses on the relationship between morality and the law, one that is understood to be organically interrelated in the natural law tradition, but distinctly separate in the tradition of positivism. Contemporary moral issues such as human and civil rights, the enforcement of sexual morality, civil disobedience, and the ethics of law enforcement will be explored.

*Instructor: Professor Andrés Molina Ochoa - 5 week, 1st session*